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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

April 26, 2001

Sir:

The following Preliminary Amendment and Remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

IN THE CLAIMS

**Please amend the claims to read as follows:**

① 2. (Twice Amended) The heat exchanging fin according to claim 21,  
wherein an entire outer perimeter of each of said plurality of flares is in  
the shape of a polygon.

3. (Twice Amended) The heat exchanging fin according to claim 2,  
wherein an entire outer perimeter of each of said plurality of flares is in  
the shape of a triangle or a tetragon.